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ITEMS 4 AND 14 - COHERENCE OF THE UN DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

REF: GENEVA 5165

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS PASSED ON COHERENCE OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM" (DP/GC/XXII/CRP.22):

QUOTE

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

RECALLING GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2688 (XXV)
ON THE CAPACITY OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT
SYSTEM, DESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT A CO-ORDINATED AND
INTEGRATED APPROACH TO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RENDERED
BY THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM BASED ON
COUNTRY PROGRAMMES ESTABLISHED ACCORDING TO THE
PRIORITIES OF RECIPIENT COUNTRIES AND THE SYSTEM OF
ALLOCATING MULTILATERAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
ACCORDING TO INDICATIVE PLANNING FIGURES,
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STRESSING IN PARTICULAR THE ROLE OF THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME AS THE CENTRAL FUNDING AND CO-ORDINATING BODY IN THIS FIELD, AS IT CLEARLY EMERGES FROM GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2688 (XXV), INCLUDING THE OVER-ALL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE, AS SET OUT THEREIN AS REGARDS THE CO-ORDINATION OF ALL INPUTS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM.

BEARING IN MIND THE WORK BEING CONDUCTED BY THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SECTORS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM,

RECOGNIZING THAT WHERE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE FROM WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM, THEIR USE AT THE COUNTRY LEVEL SHOULD BE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE COUNTRIES' DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND CO-ORDINATED BY THE UNDP RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THAT SINCE THE ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION 2688 (XXV) A NUMBER OF FURTHER PROGRAMMES AND SEPARATE FUNDS FOR MULTILATERAL TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION HAVE COME INTO BEING REGARDING WHICH DOCUMENT DP/191 AND ANNEX PROVIDE USEFUL AND TIMELY INFORMATION;

A) CONSIDERS THAT, AS A CONSEQUENCE, THERE IS A GREATER NEED THAN EVER FOR PROPER CO-ORDINATION OF MULTILATERAL TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION PROGRAMMES AT BOTH THE HEADQUARTERS AND THE FIELD LEVEL, INCLUDING A CLOSER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE FIELD REPRESENTATIVES OF AGENCIES AND RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES IN THE INTEREST OF EFFICIENCY IN THE USE OF SCARCE MULTILATERAL RESOURCES DIRECTED TOWARDS MEETING THE NEEDS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

(B) SUGGESTS THAT, WHERE APPROPRIATE, THE GOVERNMENTS OF STATES MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, IN VIEW OF THE CONTINUOUS NEED TO PRESERVE AND PROMOTE UNCLASSIFIED

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COHERENCE OF THE SYSTEM OF MULTILATERAL TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION, SHOULD CONSIDER BRINGING THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2688 (XXV) TO THE ATTENTION OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES IN THE RELEVANT UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATIONS IN WHICH THEY ARE REPRESENTED;

(C) REQUESTS THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL IN

ITS CAPACITY AS THE CENTRAL CO-ORDINATING BODY OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM IN THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL FIELD TO RECOMMEND TO UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED TO TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS DESIGNED TO MAINTAIN AND IMPROVE CURRENT EFFORTS OF CO-ORDINATION BOTH AT THE HEADQUARTERS AND THE COUNTRY LEVEL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BASIC CONSENSUS, INCLUDING IN PARTICULAR JOINT ARRANGEMENTS ON THE FUNCTIONING OF SENIOR ADVISERS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE OFFICES OF THE RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES AND WITH A VIEW TO AVOIDING TENDENCIES WHICH MAY HAVE UNTIMATELY ADVERSE EFFECTS ON THE CONTINUING SUPPORT OF SOME GOVERNMENTS FOR MULTILATERAL TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION RENDERED BY THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM;

(D) REQUESTS THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL FURTHER TO BRING THIS MATTER TO THE ATTENTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN ORDER TO STIMULATE THOROUGH CONSIDERATION OF THIS CRUCIAL ISSUE CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE SPIRIT OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2688 (XXV) BY THE WHOLE MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNITED NATIONS, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ITS STRENUOUS ON-GOING EFFORTS TO RATIONALIZE THE SYSTEM AND ITS OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SECTORS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM, AND WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE RESULTS OF THE RESTRUCTURING EXERCISE;

(E) REQUESTS THE ADMINISTRATOR:

(I) TO CONSULT IN THE IACB WITH HEADS OF EXECUTING AGENCIES ON WAYS AND MEANS OF SECURING IMPROVED HEADQUARTERS AND FIELD CO-ORDINATION AND TO SUBMIT UNCLASSIFIED

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A REPORT ON THIS MATTER TO THE TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

(II) TO CONTINUE HIS RESEARCH INTO THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE VARIETY OF FUNDING CHANNELS EXISTING WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM, AND THEIR RELATION TO UNDP PROGRAMMING AT THE COUNTRY AND INTERCOUNTRY LEVELS, WITH A VIEW TO FURTHER REFINING THE DATA AND ANALYSIS, AND TO REPORT TO THE COUNCIL NOT LATER THAN THE TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION;

(F) INVITES THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AT ITS 61ST SESSION TO MAKE THE TEXT OF THIS DECISION AVAILABLE TO THE HEADS OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES WITH A REQUEST THAT IT BE CIRCULATED IN THEIR

GOVERNING BODIES AT THEIR NEXT SESSION, AS APPROPRIATE.

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